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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

A. C. Latimer has been elected U. S. Senator from South Carolina. —— The Rome, Ga., cotton factory is to be sold to the highest bidder Feb. 3d. —— Fifty-two insane patients, all women, were burned to death by a fire in the Colney Hatch asylum, London, Eng. —— Armour's estimated profits on the wheat deal in Chicago yesterday are estimated at $600,000. —— Engineer and many passengers reported killed and many injured in a collision on the Central Railroad of Jersey. —— The Venezuelan negotiators held their first joint conference yesterday in Washington. —— Reports that there has been friction between representatives of the allies is denied. —— British steamer Graffoe sunk off Ramsey Island; one man drowned. —— Steamer reported ashore on the Isle of Anglesey is a German vessel; all her crew were saved. —— President Roosevelt delivered an oration in Canton, Ohio, in commemoration of the birthday of the late President McKinley. —— Burglars robbed the bank of Steelville, Ill., of $3,000. —— Four men robbed a bank at Waterloo, Neb., of $3,500. —— A mob at Chicago held up a coal train and carried away the contents of five cars; women led the attack. —— Cotton yarn spinners met in Charlotte and advanced the price of yarns an average of ten per cent. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 3½@4½ per cent.; cotton steady at 9c; flour dull and nominally unchanged; wheat—spot easy; No. 2 red 81½c; corn—spot easy; No. 2, 56½@58c; rosin firm; strained, common to good, $1.95@2.00; spirits turpentine steady at 63½@64c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 27.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 46 degrees; 8 P. M., 61 degrees; maximum, 66 degrees; minimum, 44 degrees; mean, 55 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, T.; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 3.33 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. 7.5 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—For North Carolina: Rain Wednesday and Thursday; fresh southeast to south winds.

Port Almanac—January 28.

Sun Rises	7.08 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.33 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 20 M.
High Water at Southport	7.59 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	10.29 P. M.

Mr. Rockefeller denies that he offered that doctor $1,000,000 for a healthy stomach. But he would give it all the same.

Georgia has 13,000,000 peach trees growing in her orchards. And nobody has yet called the peach-growers attention to that 13.

The vote of that Democratic member of the Colorado Legislature who came out of a sick bed to vote for Teller was a teller, and Teller got there.

That Baltimore girl who had a fellow arrested for stealing her jewelry and money taught him a lesson that he should not forget. She married him.

The color line is becoming a grave question in Roanoke, Va., where a negro preacher recently refused to officiate at a negro funeral because a white undertaker had been employed.

A Massachusetts man who was buncoed out of $4,000 had the bunco man arrested. The bunco man gave $5,000 bond and then skipped. The State is ahead $5,000 but all the buncoed citizen has is a bunch of experience.

Preacher Skyles who was convicted of bigamy in Mississippi pleaded insanity. The fact that he had seven wives scattered along his path was at least presumptive evidence of insanity. None but an insane man would hope to escape with so many women on his trail.

We are under obligations to the New York *Tribune* for "The Tribune Almanac and Political Register" for 1903, an exceedingly valuable and comprehensive publication. In addition to the statistical information bearing upon our commerce, finances, agriculture, mineral products, churches, schools, population, cities, (with the population of each,) election returns of the several States, etc., it presents the platforms adopted by the various party conventions in their State and National conventions, making it on the whole an invaluable publication for the seeker for information on these and various other topics. It is neatly and substantially bound, and sold at 25 cents a copy. Address The New York Tribune Association, New York.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

Brief Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen Was Held Last Night.

CONTRACT FOR STREET WORK

Crushed Rock Purchased from a Columbia Concern and All Bids for Granolithic Pavements Rejected—The D. L. Gore Bridge Matter.

A brief special session of the Board of Aldermen of the city was held last night, Mayor Waddell presiding and Messrs. Hashagen, Johnson, Bailey, VonGlahn, Sweeney, Murrell, Tiencken and Cooper in attendance.

Marsden Bellamy, Esq., counsel for the D. L. Gore Company, was present and by permission addressed the Board, saying that there had been a disagreement between the representatives of the city and petitioners' counsel relative to the form of bond that should be executed to indemnify the city against possible damage suits that might grow out of an extension of the iron bridge across Water street, connecting the store of the Gore Company with its warehouse opposite. The Mayor and City Attorney, to whom had been referred the matter by the Board, desired to insert a clause making the bridge removable within ten days should occasion demand it, and making the $10,000 bond a cumulative one.

Mayor Waddell in explanation said that the City Attorney and he were only carrying out the instruction of the Board, but, of course, they could make other arrangements, if they so desired. He was not averse to granting the privilege upon any ground the Board may see fit.

Mr. Bellamy then made a proposition that his client would give a $10,000 indemnity bond to be renewed annually or more often if the bond should at any time be deemed insufficient and in the event of the expiration of the bond, the bridge may be ordered torn down, and the privilege rescinded.

The proposition of Mr. Bellamy in behalf of his client was accepted.

Bids for furnishing crushed rock for street improvement were read from the Balfour Quarry Co., of Asheville, N. C., Stewart Stone Co., of Columbia, S. C. and C. H. Dock, of Wilmington. The first named bid was not specific; the Columbia bid was $1.56 per ton for 5,000 tons, f. o. b. the cars in Wilmington, 450 to 700 tons to be delivered weekly, and Mr. Dock's bid was to operate the city quarry under the present arrangement and furnish the material at $1.16½ per ton at the quarry and $1.50 per ton on the streets. In consideration of the dampness of the material from the local quarry and its consequent heavier weight, the Streets and Wharves Committee recommended that a contract be awarded to the Columbia concern for 1,000 tons as an experiment. The recommendation was adopted and the contract was awarded. Mr. Tiencken called attention to the need of macadamizing the fish alley at Front street market and Mr. Sweeney made a strong plea for the improvement of Grace, between Front and Second streets. Chairman Johnson said that those were the improvements next contemplated.

All bids for granolithic pavements were regarded too high and all were rejected. Townsend & Inglert bid $1.10 per square yard; Roger Moore's Sons & Co., $1.15 and J. W. Davis $1.00 and $1.25 for different grades of the pavements. He also offered to do the work, the city furnishing all material for 30 cents per square yard or to superintend the work for 10 cents per square yard.

The Water and Chesnut street dock was rented to B. F. Keith for a term of six years at $110 per year, the lessee to rebuild and maintain the wharves, J. A. Springer & Co. bid $67 upon the same terms.

The chairman of the Finance Committee was authorized to secure a keeper of the city clock in the first Presbyterian church tower at the lowest responsible bid.

Gone to the Convention

Mr. Joseph Jacobs, superintendent of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York, with headquarters at Rooms 11 and 12, Masonic Temple, this city, has gone to the home office for the annual convention and banquet of superintendents from all over the country and Canada. The session will last two days, beginning Friday, the 30th, in the company's tremendous building, covering a whole block on Madison avenue. The banquet will be held at Delmonico's, and his friends bespeak for Superintendent Jacobs a very pleasant time.

To Attend Mission Board.

Rev. J. N. Cole, Rev. B. B. John and Rev. J. W. Potter have gone to Wilson, N. C. to attend a meeting of the Mission Board of the North Carolina M. E Conference in that city today. The meeting will last about two days. Rev. Dr. Seth Ward, of Texas, one of the mission secretaries of the Church, will address the meeting.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice—Fish privileges.
People's Savings Bank—Money.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Small house.
Preston Cumming—Tables for sale.
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Gas heaters.

HUTAFF VS. SEWERAGE CO.

Only Half-Day Session of Superior Court Yesterday—Two Witnesses for Plaintiff in Damage Suit—Jurors.

Only a half-day session of the Superior Court was held yesterday in deference to Mr. Marsden Bellamy, who desired to be with his little son, Chesley, who is so much distressed over the accidental killing of his companion, Robert Payne, while hunting on Eagle's Island Monday afternoon. Mr. Bellamy is one of the leading counsel for the plaintiff in the Hutaff suit for damages now in hearing and he desired not to be absent during any phase of the trial. The court readily assented at 1:30 P. M. yesterday to a recess until 10 A. M. to-day, when the Hutaff case will continue.

All of yesterday morning's session was taken up with the testimony of two witnesses for the plaintiff—Messrs. C. F. W. Rehder and Wm. Nicstlie. Mr. Rehder owns property in the neighborhood of where Mr. Hutaff was injured and he testified as to the street lines and excavations by the defendant Wilmington Sewerage Company. Mr. Niestlie testified as to the plaintiff's injury, he having been brought to witness' drug store after the accident. Mr. Niestlie also testified as to having measured on the following day the excavation into which Mr. Hutaff plunged. An official map of the city was exhibited by City Clerk and Treasurer King to define the street lines, the defendant contending that the excavation into which plaintiff fell is on private property.

It will probably require two more days to complete the case. The following talesmen have been summoned for to-day: C. C. Bordeaux, Stephen Deal, E. L. Davis, C. H. Gilbert, F. L. Minis, Geo. W. Green, A. C. Penton, M. F. H. Gouverneur, J. H. Southerland, Geo. N. Harriss, Henry Newman, W. H. Brown, R. A. Benson, R. D. Tucker, J. F. Garrell, T. C. McIlhenny, W. A. Yarborough, Chas. P. Driver, John Thomas and C. H. Fore.

FUNERAL OF MASTER ROBERT PAYNE.

Will Be Conducted This Morning—Closing Scene of an Awful Tragedy.

The funeral of young Robert Fairfax Payne, youngest son of the late James F. and Mrs. Emily MacRae Payne, No. 114 South Fourth street, this city, whose tragic death was chronicled in these columns yesterday morning, will be held to-day at 10 A. M. from St. James' Episcopal church, thence to Oakdale cemetery.

The untimely death of the promising young boy was the cause of the most sincere regret in the city yesterday and sympathy went out alike to the unfortunate boys' two dear companions, Masters Chesley Bellamy and Robert James, who are almost prostrated with grief. The latter is a son of Mrs. Sarah S. James, of this city, and not of Capt. T. C. James, as was erroneously stated yesterday.

Out of respect to their deceased classmate, exercises were suspended by the junior class of the High School yesterday and the entire school will suspend to-day in order that all the students may attend the funeral. The victim of the sad tragedy was an especial favorite at school and was much loved by older persons who knew him. Although but three months over 15 years of age, he possessed a strong, manly bearing and was a little gentleman in every sense of the word. He was a leader among his associates and gave great promise, but for the sad ending of his career.

The Elks' Minstrels.

The box sheet for the magnificent production of minstrelsy by the Wilmington Lodge of Elks on Friday night and Saturday matinee will open Thursday morning at Plummer's. The prices will be 25, 50 and 75 cents and indications point to a rush for seats. Rehearsals are being held nightly and the performance bids fair to be a magnificent success.

LOCAL DOTS.

— British steamer *Torgorm*, hence for Ghent, arrived out 26th.

— The shad benches of the city will be rented on the cash premium plan Friday at noon.

— A special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held this afternoon to discuss the Fowler Currency bill.

— A thoroughly competent compositor accustomed to newspaper work may secure employment by applying at the STAR office.

— A boy who has had some experience in feeding job presses may secure a situation by making immediate application at the STAR office.

— Jefferson Lodge, K. of P., will hold an interesting meeting this evening. A new and novel feature will be introduced. All members are invited to be present.

— All ladies interested in the cause of temperance are earnestly invited to meet with the W. C. T. U. Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the First Baptist church.

— A number of freight cars broke loose on the A. C. L. yard yesterday morning and ran through the passenger shed, tearing down the railing at the east end of the station.

— Two grown sailors, who were stowaways on the disabled steamer *Daventry*, which came up to the city yesterday, were locked up at the police station yesterday, awaiting orders of the master of the vessel.

All trimmed millinery at half price at Polvogt's this week. †

LIVELY IN RALEIGH.

General Assembly and Democratic Caucus Proceedings at Capitol Yesterday.

STILL NO U. S. SENATOR.

Sensational Scene Caused by Stuffing Senatorial Ballot Box—State Veterinarians in Session—Dr. Carroll Presiding Officer.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 27.—The question of licensing trained nurses in North Carolina came up in the House to day while a bill was on its readings to amend the charter of the James Walker Memorial Hospital, of Wilmington, so that that institution can issue diplomas. The bill was introduced by Morton and by special request it was put on its readings. It passed second reading but was held up on third by objection by Alexander. The contention was made that a bill is now in process of enactment providing a Board of Examiners, who shall issue licenses to trained nurses. It was agreed that diplomas shall be subject to the Board of Examiners to be created and the bill then passed final reading.

Other notable bills passed were: To prohibit the manufacture, sale and shipment of whiskey into Scotland county.

To incorporate the bank of Selma.

Bills of note introduced were:

Newland to establish a training school for teachers in Western North Carolina.

Price, to amend the law relating to competency of depositions in the trial of causes.

The House had quite a squabble over the hour for meeting to-morrow. A motion to meet at 11 o'clock was defeated and Morton moved to meet at 7 A. M.; this was voted down by roll call ballot, 49 to 47, and adjournment was then taken to 10:30.

In the Senate bills of note introduced were:

Richardson, to incorporate the Bank of Selma.

Woodward, to provide a mode of procedure for having proper credits on judgments, relating to taking of depositions in criminal cases:

Webb, to extend the corporate limits of Asheville.

Among the bills passed.

To allow Mount Olive to issue bonds.

To incorporate the Bank of Selma.

To incorporate the Bank of Kernersville.

The bill incorporating the Chapel Hill Trolley Co. was recalled and the capital changed from $125,000 to $150,000.

The Norris and Godwin Code Commission bills were recalled from the Judiciary Committee and referred to the Joint Code Committee.

A resolution was passed allowing the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad $201.22 for transporting sixteen musicians from Pennsylvania to form a band for the Second North Carolina Regiment for the Spanish-American war.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock.

Democratic Caucus Last Night.

Another rather lively caucus for the nomination of a Democratic candidate for U. S. Senator has met and adjourned without reaching a nomination. Watson made some gains to-night when the caucus convened at 8 o'clock. The first ballot gave Overman 62, Watson 58 and Craig 21. No election was declared and another ballot ordered. This time Overman received 62, Watson 63, Craig 21. There were only 143 members in the hall, so stuffing of the ballot box was evident. Chairman Morton stated that he presumed that the extra votes had been placed in the box unintentionally and the ballots would be thrown out. The extra votes were found to be for Watson. Senator Justice was recognized and in a feeling manner declared the stuffing of the box was a disgrace to the caucus and a reflection on every member, and such conduct would not be tolerated. Another ballot was then called, the vote being, Watson 64, Overman 61, Craig 18. The last ballot cast (the 56th in the series of caucuses) was called and resulted: Watson 63, Overman 61, Craig 19.

Representative Davidson moved that in the future caucuses nobody be allowed on the first floor except members and that newspaper men be provided desks in the gallery instead of on the floor.

To-night the lobbies were crowded mostly by ladies, all admitted on cards from Chairman Morton. Davidson's motion was strongly opposed by Senator London, Speaker Gattis and others. An amendment by the latter prevailed that no one be admitted to the floor in future except members and representatives of the Raleigh press and correspondents. The caucus adjourned to Thursday night.

Watson said to-night: "I would have been nominated to night but for the absence of some of my friends."

Overman said: "I am satisfied with the result; am the choice of the people and will win."

Craig said: "The situation is as it was Friday night, I am in the fight to the finish."

There were four members absent from the caucus to-night.

Adjournment was to Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Veterinarians in Session.

The State Board of Veterinary Medical Association in session here to-day adopted a bill, the Legislature will be asked to pass, empowering the Governor to appoint a Board of Examiners and regulating veterinary practice in the State. The Board declared North Carolina a dumping ground for "Quacks" and "Butchers" from other States. Dr. T. B. Carroll, of Wilmington, presided. The board adjourned to meet in Wilmington during the coming Summer.

Preparing for Business.

Lot M. Noble, a son of Capt. S. W. Noble, is a student at the Massey Business College, Richmond, Va., and has decided to include THE MORNING STAR in his list of text books. Lot was formerly a companion of the field editor of the STAR in bird hunting, and should he improve as rapidly in his studies as he did in shooting he will soon receive his diploma and be ready for business.

See muslin underwear display at Polvogt's. Special prices this week. †

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by J. C. Shepard.

MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION.

Fifth Annual Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon—Officers and Directors for Ensuing Year.

The fifth annual meeting of the Wilmington Merchants' Association, which had been adjourned from the second Wednesday in October, 1902, on account of the lack of a quorum, was held yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the Association in the Seaboard Air Line building, President W. E. Springer presiding, and the following members in attendance, viz: Messrs. D. C. Love, J. H. Thomas, J. H. Rehder, C. M. Whitlock, Geo. O. Gaylord, James M. Hall, W. B. Cooper, M. G. Tiencken, M. W. Jacobi and Mr. P. Heinsberger, the efficient secretary.

President Springer called Mr. M. W. Jacobi to the chair and made his annual report, verbally, giving a very comprehensive review of the work of the Association during the past year. He referred very complimentarily to the work of the secretary in the prosecution of all claims presented to the Association.

The secretary then read his annual report. It showed that the Association had been organized since September, 1897, and begins the new fiscal year with 108 active members and four honorary members. The benefits derived from the Association by its members have been great and bills are more promptly paid than formerly. The secretary returns his thanks to the Board of Directors and officers who assisted him in the faithful performance of his duties.

The treasurer's report showed that the Association had been self-sustaining and a small balance was left on hand. Of $12,561.31 in accounts reported to the Association for collection, $5,441.11 had been paid, or a little over 43 per cent. The showing in the latter respect was commented upon very favorably by the members present.

Upon motion, the reports were referred to the auditing committee and after they are found correct they were ordered spread upon the minutes.

Upon motion of Mr. W. E. Springer, the old Board of Directors was unanimously re-elected as follows: W. E. Springer, Chas. M. Whitlock, J. H. Thomas, W. E. Worth, M. W. Jacobi, Sol Bear, Wm. Nicstlie, J. M. Solky, Geo. O. Gaylord, J. H. Rehder, D. C. Love, B. Solomon, A. O. Schuster, W. H. Chadbourn and W. B. Cooper.

Appropriate remarks for the good of the Association were made by Messrs. M. W. Jacobi, W. E. Springer, M. G. Tiencken and others.

The general meeting of the Association then adjourned and the Board of Directors met. Those present were Mr. M. W. Jacobi, presiding; Mr. P. Heinsberger, secretary, and Messrs. W. E. Springer, C. M. Whitlock, Geo. O. Gaylord, W. B. Cooper, J. H. Rehder, D. C. Love and J. H. Thomas. Upon motion of Mr. W. E. Springer, and second by Mr. D. C. Love, Mr. J. H. Rehder was unanimously elected president; Mr. C. M. Whitlock was unanimously elected first vice president; Mr. J. H. Thomas, second vice president, and Mr. P. Heinsberger, secretary and treasurer.

There were further remarks upon the good of the Association and the Directors then adjourned. The president stated that he would appoint his committees later.

THE LOCAL MARKET AND SHIPPING.

Spirits Reaches Sixty Cents—Arrival and Departure of Vessels at This Port.

At last spirits turpentine has reached the 60 cents mark. The local market was quoted firm at that figure yesterday; receipts 18 casks.

The British barque *Nellie Troop*, Capt. Nobles, one of the most handsome that ever entered this port, cleared yesterday for New York where she will go on the marine railway for repairs.

Among yesterday's arrivals were the British schooner *Goldseeker*, Capt. Diggdon, from Philadelphia, for cargo of lumber for the West Indies, from Chadbourn's, and the schooner *Lillian Woodruff*, Capt. Kneeland, from Boston. The British steamer *Daventry* and the Norwegian barque *Freidig* also came up the river during the day. It is understood that the *Daventry* will discharge her cargo here and proceed to Newport News for repairs. The British steamer *Eastry*, which arrived from Savannah, will probably take the cargo of the disabled steamer and proceed with it to Manchester, Eng.

Teachers' Association Saturday.

The regular monthly meeting of the New Hanover Teachers' Association will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in the Cape Fear Academy building. An interesting programme has been announced by President Catlett and Secretary J. C. Herring. "History" will be discussed by Prof. R. D. W. Connor, "Writing" by Prof. F. W. Thorne and "The Importance of Literature in the School Room" by Prof. M. Bowen. Of course, there will be the usual informal discussion of many educational subjects and all are invited to participate. Teachers of the city schools will be cordially welcomed.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Murchison Bank building, on Chesnut street: Services this evening at 8 o'clock. All are invited.

See the lawns and dimities on display at Polvogt's. All new goods. †

PILOTAGE MATTERS.

No Agreement at Conference of Navigation Board and the Commerce Committee.

A SPIRITED DISCUSSION.

Meetings Yesterday Morning and Afternoon to Consider the Much Mooted Question—Action Deferred Until To-morrow—Notes.

As predicted in these columns several days ago, no agreement was reached at the conference yesterday afternoon of the Chamber of Commerce Committee and the Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage, relative to the compulsory pilotage laws now in effect at this port. The last named body desired further time to consider the matter and accordingly adjourned until this afternoon with the understanding that another conference of the two committees for definite action would be held on Thursday.

The conference yesterday afternoon was held in the office of Mr. George Harriss, on Water street, at 3:30 o'clock, the following having been present: Col. Thomas Evans (chairman), Mr. W. N. Harriss (clerk), Messrs. James Sprunt, C. W. Worth, George Harriss, Samuel Northrop, J. W. Craig, S. F. Craig, composing the Board of Navigation; Messrs. R. A. Parsley (chairman), James Kyle (secretary), Hugh MacRae, H. W. Malloy, B. G. Worth, J. W. Craig, J. J. Adkins and M. S. Willard, of the Chamber of Commerce.

Upon motion of Mr. Parsley, Col. Thos. Evans was chosen chairman and Messrs. James Kyle and W. N. Harriss, secretaries, of the conference. Mr. Parsley then read the report published below, which he said had been adopted the morning previous by the Chamber of Commerce Committee, Capts. J. J. Adkins and J. W. Craig alone dissenting. The recommendations are as follows:

To The Commissioners of Navigation:

GENTLEMEN: Acting under authority of a resolution adopted, unanimously, by the Chamber of Commerce (a copy of which has been furnished your chairman) we respectfully submit that we have examined the laws and conditions governing the situation at Norfolk, Wilmington, Charleston, and Savannah, and find that a 500 ton coasting vessel of 14½ foot draft may trade for one year at either of the three ports named below, upon payment of the following pilotage fees for the year: To-wit: Based on six trips per year:

Norfolk, sea buoy to center of water front, 34 miles, $108.00.

Wilmington, sea buoy to center of water front, 30 miles, $702.00.

Savannah, sea buoy to center of water front, 25 miles, $193.38.

Charleston is not shown in this computation for the reason that conditions there are very dissimilar to those at the other three ports, i. e. Charleston is an open bay, opening right into the sea and only ten miles distant from sea buoy to city water front centre. We are prepared, however, to discuss Charleston, also, should occasion require.

We find that vessels entering any of the ports of Virginia, South Carolina or Georgia, are exempt from compulsory employment of pilot, unless his services are tendered outside the bar.

At Wilmington, vessels must pay pilotage fees whether or not service is tendered them before crossing the bar.

The unfavorable conditions existing at Wilmington, by reason of these compulsory laws, must be manifest to you gentlemen, and to every person doing business at or through the port of Wilmington. With pilotage ranging from 360 per cent to 650 per cent higher at Wilmington than at competitive ports to the South of us and to the North of us, how can we reach out and hold business that competitive ports are daily taking from us? If Wilmington is to progress, we must rid ourselves of conditions so unbearable and so absurd, open our doors to commerce, and place our merchants, manufacturers, and exports upon an equal or better footing than their competitors enjoy. To this end, we invite your endorsement and active co-operation in securing the passage of a bill through the present General Assembly, from which the following results will obtain, viz:

1st. The complete and absolute abolishment of compulsory pilotage, on vessels of all classes, on the Cape Fear river above the anchorage grounds abreast of the Town of Southport.

2nd. The complete and absolute abolishment of compulsory pilotage, either inward or outward, on vessels of all classes, which shall have reached the bar, inward bound, before services of pilot are tendered.

3rd. The granting of yearly licenses to all vessels running coastwise, under United States license, upon payment of inward bar pilotage only and the further payment of ten cents per registered ton, which payment shall exempt such vessels from compulsory employment of a pilot during the life of said license, or proper renewal thereof.

4. Any vessel employing a pilot from sea to Southport or vice versa, or from Southport to Wilmington or vice versa, shall employ only such pilot as is or may be duly licensed as pilot for such vessel by the laws of North Carolina; and shall pay such pilotage fees as are now established for such services by the laws of North Carolina.

Capt. Adkins was recognized and gave his reasons for dissenting to the report. It was extremely misleading; the figures were a mis-statement of facts, and in other respects the paper was erroneous. He said the comparative table of rates was wrong because the Norfolk and Savannah rates were given where vessels took out a yearly pilotage license while the Wilmington figures were made up on single trip rates. He submitted a counter-statement of rates, which he said was absolutely correct and showed the low rate in favor of Wilmington on a schooner of 14½ feet draught which was taken as a basis.

In response to questions by Mr. Malloy, he stated that there were 41 pilots now in the service and no apprentices; there had been none in ten years. The minimum number of pilots allowed was 30. In response to further questions by Mr. Malloy, Capt. S. F. Craig said the annual pilotage at this port is about $30,000 per year. It had been $33,000, but this year it would be something over $30,000. The increase in exports was brought up and in response to questions, Mr. Sprunt said his firm had paid something between $6,000 and $7,000 for pilotage since Sept. 1st.

Mr. Parsley spoke in support of the statement by the Chamber of Commerce Committee, saying it was perfectly accurate and was taken from government statistics and U. S. Coast Survey charts.

Mr. Hugh MacRae spoke generally of the evil effect of compulsory pilotage, and favored a reduction of the the number to conform to the law of supply and demand.

Mr. Geo. Harriss favored a compulsory system but said a reduction of numbers might be advisable.

Mr. B. G. Worth thought any man should have the right to say whether or not he wanted anything, and he thought it wrong to force a pilot on a vessel when it was in tow of a tug.

There was further discussion and finally upon motion of Mr. James Sprunt, who discussed the matter conservatively, it was decided to postpone action until the Board of Navigation can meet alone and thoroughly talk over the situation and be prepared to vote intelligently upon the proposition. The Board will meet this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the office of Mr. Geo. Harriss and will have another conference with the Chamber of Commerce Committee Thursday afternoon.

ACCIDENT TO MESSENGER BOY.

Ellis Farrow, Aged Fifteen, Run Over by Cotton Mill Wagon.

Ellis Farrow, 15 years old, a messenger boy at the Western Union telegraph office, ran into a delivery wagon of the Wilmington Cotton Mills on Nutt street late yesterday afternoon and received injuries, which, if they do not prove fatal may cause the boy to be a cripple for life. Both wheels of the wagon, heavily laden with five bales of cotton, passed over the boy, frightfully breaking and bruising his thigh and injuring him otherwise.

Young Farrow was riding his wheel and accounts differ as to the cause of the accident. Some say that the chain of the bicycle broke and the boy losing control of it, was thrown under the wagon. Others say he was riding too close to the wagon and when the driver started to turn, the boy was unable to get his wheel out of the way and he was thrown under in that manner. After the accident he was sent to the home of his father Mr. Joseph F. Farrow, a machinist at the Wilmington Cotton Mills, who lives at 780 South Front street.

City of Fayetteville.

The steamer *City of Fayetteville* did not arrive until 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the delay having been caused by the disabling of one of the engines near White Hall yesterday morning. She brought on the trip 51 bales of cotton, a quantity of factory goods and a miscellaneous cargo. She will return to Fayetteville to-day, perishable freight having been sent up on the *Hurt* yesterday.

Crew of the Nineveh.

Nothing was heard yesterday of the crew of the wrecked barquentine *Nineveh*, which has been reported in these columns, but they will probably come up to the city to-day. Messrs. J. T. Riley & Co. have been communicated with by the vessel's owners, Messrs. B. T. Petty & Co., of New York, and Capt. Gilbert and men will be provided for upon their arrival here.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Blanche Chadwick will leave to-day for Waycross, Ga., to visit relatives.

— The numerous friends of Mr. R. L. Prempert were delighted to see him able to be on the streets yesterday.

— Mrs. R. J. Rivenbark and Mr. J. W. Rivenbark, went up to Willard yesterday to attend the marriage of their sister, Miss Gertrude, to Mr. T. G. Covington, of Clio, S. C.

— Mrs. John H. Craig, of Elberton, Ga., wife of Mr. Jno. H. Craig, bookkeeper for Mr. Chas. M. Whitlock, is visiting her husband. They will make Wilmington their future home. The STAR extends to them a cordial welcome.

— Yesterday's Fayetteville *Observer*: "Mr. Chas. G. Rose went down to Wilmington yesterday afternoon on legal business. —— Mr. Wm. J. Bellamy, of Wilmington, was in the city to-day on legal business. —— Messrs. E. C. Holt, of Wilmington, and R. L. Holt, of Burlington, arrived here yesterday on a visit to their brother, Mr. Walter L. Holt."

Bargains in Gents', Ladies' and Children's underwear at Polvogt's this week. †

Special prices on ribbons at Polvogt's this week. See display. †

Embroidery silks in all shades at Polvogt's. †

DIED.

PAYNE—ROBERT FAIRFAX PAYNE, youngest son of the late James F. and Mrs. Emily MacRae Payne, aged 15 years and 3 months.

Funeral from St. James' Church at 10 o'clock this (Wednesday) morning, thence to Oakdale cemetery.

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NOTICE.

Cars will not run beyond Har over street until track work is completed. A. B. SKELDING,
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jan 25 4t

LANDS POSTED.

The privilege of hunting on my lands near Wrightsville having been leased, all persons are hereby warned against shooting, hunting, ranging or otherwise trespasing on said lands.
Jan 17 10t GARRETT WALKER.

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JAN 28.

HAS ENGLAND TIED HERSELF UP!

The alliance between England and Germany for the joint enforcement of their claims against Venezuela was not popular in England when it was first hinted at in the papers as probable. It was so unpopular that Mr. Balfour declared it the fantastic story of an inventive press, and while he was denying it King Edward and his guest and nephew, Kaiser William, with Lord Lansdowne, were completing the compact, between drinks, at Sandringham, and it looks very much as if the programme of joint coercion came from King Edward and not from the Kaiser, although England seems to have been playing second fiddle to Germany ever since the joint demonstration and the "pacific blockade" began.

As showing England's or rather King Edward's part in the initiation of this business the Washington *Post* quotes the following note from the British Premier to the British Ambassador at Berlin:

"The German Ambassador informed me this evening that the German Government were prepared to join with us in addressing a final warning to the Venezuelan Government, and I communicated to him the substance of my telegram to Mr. Haggard of this day's date. I had thought it better not to delay making this intimation, which was, as he would observe, couched in general terms; but I undertook to telegraph at once to Mr. Haggard, desiring him to put himself in communication with his German colleague. With regard to measures of coercion, the German Government were prepared to accede to our suggestion that the first step should be the seizure of the Venezuelan gunboats, and they proposed that we should instruct our naval authorities in those waters to concert a plan for carrying out this project. As to the joint execution of measures of coercion, the German Government recognized that there was a sharp distinction between the character of the British and German "first-line" claims; nevertheless, the two claims ought to stand or fall together, and we ought to exclude the possibility of a settlement between Venezuela and one of the two powers without an equally satisfactory settlement in the case of the other. Each government ought, therefore, to come to an understanding before it embarked upon a project of coercion that neither government should be at liberty to recede except by mutual agreement; and before common action was initiated, we ought to come to a distinct agreement to this effect. I told Count Metternich that it seemed to me only reasonable that if we agreed to act together in applying coercion, we should also agree that each should support the other's demands, and should not desist from doing so except by agreement."

What was said between drinks by King Edward and his visiting Kaiser nephew is, of course, not known, but this note says in so many words that Germany was invited to join England in that debt collecting business, or "warning," and that "Barkis" was found to be "willing." But the note goes further and shows that the programme of operations was fixed up by the English gentlemen who proposed the joint demonstration even to the extent of suggesting that the ball be opened by the seizure of the Venezuelan gunboats at Laguaira. And this was while Balfour was pronouncing the rumors of the alliance a fiction of an inventive press, fantastic nonsense. No wonder the popular disfavor with which the reported alliance was received culminated in disgust when it was seen what a bunco game was being played upon the British people.

This note not only shows that the scheme was worked up in England but so carefully worked up as to guard against Germany's pulling out without the consent of England, mutally pledging England not to pull out without the consent of Germany. In other words Lord Lansdowne with the sanction of his King tied England up and virtually made her jointly responsible with Germany for anything that might be done in that business, and this puts England in the attitude of playing a double game, a game of deception, with the United States, whose good will and friendship she professes to especially desire.

It will be remembered that when the Venezuelan gunboats were seized and two of them taken to sea and sunk, the commander of the English war ships disavowed any responsibility for that, throwing the responsibility upon the German commander. When fort Cabello, a few days afterward, was fired upon it was by German ships. When Fort San Carlos was fired upon it was by a German vessel, and when it was a couple days later assaulted and battered into ruins it was by three German ships. The British ships seem to be doing police duty on the outskirts and so little of it that commanders and men might as well be fishing or asleep. The German captains seem to be the whole thing and to be running the whole business, without consulting the Englishmen, on the assumption, we suppose, from their interpretation of the original agreement as set forth in this note of Lord Lansdowne to the British ambassador at Berlin, that England would stand by anything that Germany did, and not pull out without Germany's consent.

Since the brutal and altogether unnecessary and unjustifiable attacks on Fort San Carlos the popular disgust in England has been intensified, and the leading papers and prominent men are demanding that the alliance be dissolved and England disavow any responsibility for these San Carlos atrocities. But in the face of that note of Lord Lansdowne how can England do that, when the King and Prime Minister suggested the business to the Kaiser and drew up the plan upon which they were to jointly act and the pledges by which they would be mutually bound? In this will probably be found the secret why there has been no intimation of disapproval coming from the British government, at which people who supposed that the Kaiser was the leading spirit in this raid, were amazed. While German captains do the brutal work, the British Government is even deeper in the mire than Germany.

But why was the joint action suggested in the first place against a power as weak as Venezuela, torn as she was, too, by internal strife? It surely did not require an alliance between two such powers as England and Germany to enforce a debt claim against Venezuela. Isn't it more than likely that the alliance was hit upon in view of possible complications with this Government and to keep the hands of this Government off? Lord Beresford, an English naval commander, in a recent interview in New York, expressed this opinion and regretted that his Government had been unwillingly roped into the alliance, but even he seems to have been ignorant of the fact that the original suggestion of the alliance, as odious as it is to Englishmen, came from his Government.

It is a dirty, disgraceful business, and while the arrogance, bullying and brutality of the German commanders are denounced and the German Government held responsible, as having an ulterior motive, the British Government is as deep in the mire as Germany is, and is playing a shameful and humiliating part, a mere sub and cipher in a game of which she was the original suggester and planner.

HE CAPTURED THEM.

The Roosevelt party manipulators put up a job on the spokesmen of the Afro-American League and captured them. They got together in the Council at Washington and issued an address, Monday, which after calling attention to alleged grievances of the negro, concluded with commending "President Roosevelt to the affection and confidence of our people, regardless of party affiliations." That's what Roosevelt's managers were playing for, and they got it. And thus they pulled the wool over the eyes of the colored brother just as they have been doing every time the aforesaid colored brother has shown a disposition to kick.

Perhaps inviting those negroes to that Presidential reception a few days ago was part of the wool-pulling programme, but whether it was or not, these "Afro-Americans," who are too tony to think the name negro good enough, doubtless took it as proof of the broader recognition of their race not only politically but socially, for they have aspirations to social recognition, too.

Of course the address issued will amount to nothing more than have the numerous similar addresses that have been periodically issued, which served their purpose for the time and were then forgotten. They keep the race issue alive, and keep the negroes solid for the Republican party, which is the main idea with the white politicians who stand behind the humbugged negro and pretend to be championing his cause. To carry out the pretence there will be more or less talk in Congress, perhaps some resolutions passed which will drag along in the usual way until after the next election, and then will be consigned to the customary oblivion.

IRREPRESSIBLE MORGAN.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, is one of those irrepressible, virile, never-stay-down sort of men, who apparently hasn't yet given up hope of getting his Nicaragua canal, which is probably at the bottom of the resolution introduced by him, Monday, inquiring into the validity of the papers of the representative of the Colombian Government who signed the treaty for Colombia. He contends that the proceedings are irregular, that there is really no constitutional Government in Colombia, and therefore no Government that has a right to make a treaty or cede territory, under lease or otherwise, that there has been no constitutional Government in that country since 1898, all of which means that Senator Morgan is going to fight the ratification of that treaty until that point is settled to his satisfaction.

Whether there be anything in this contention remains yet to be developed, but if there be any doubt about it it is well that the doubt be removed before this Government closes up the business and pays Colombia $10,000,000 and the Panama canal company $40,000,000. It is, however, somewhat remarkable that Senator Morgan after all the deep research he had given this question, didn't discover this important point before the proceedings had reached the closing stage. After the action of Congress in favor of the Panama proposition he expressed himself as resigned, as his desire was to have the canal by some route if he couldn't get the one of his choice

But the option with the Panama canal company ends on the fourth of March next, and if the treaty be not ratified by that time there may be further parley and further delay If it be Morgan's purpose to obstruct he will talk until the fourth of March if necessary.

The Washington *Post* paragrapher reminds Col. Arthur Lynch, convicted of treason in London for fighting with the Boers, that "there is no substantial sympathy in this country for the man who takes up arms against his fellow-countrymen." In as much as Col. Lynch is an Irishman, who regards England as the oppressor of his country, it would be difficult to persuade him that he was fighting his "fellow-countrymen."

CURRENT COMMENT

—— Probably, if Charleston continues to object to Crum, Theodore Roosevelt will "close" up the custom house there.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— Twenty years ago men would have taken a long journey to see eighty acres in cantaloupes, but now it is only an incident a little beyond the rest in a Florida industry. Ten years ago the public would have judged the owner a fool; now, the visitor concludes he will have a fortune in five years. Times change and farming must change with them. *Jacksonville Times-Union, Dem.*

—— The removal of the duty from anthracite coal in order to encourage the importation of foreign coal and cheapen the price to home consumers, is a confession by the Republicans that under the operations of the tariff the consumer pays the tax. In several national campaigns of the latter part of the last century the Republicans stoutly maintained that the foreigners paid the tax. One of the guns the Republicans expected to use in 1904 has been spiked.—*Mobile Register, Dem.*

—— The official explanation of the bombarding of San Carlos, by the German gunboats, which comes from Berlin, does not explain. We are told that the Panther was seeking to enter Lake Maracaibo to prevent importations from Colombia into Venezuela. This may, technically, be a regular proceeding, but in reason it is both absurd and dishonest. The prevention of the starving Venezuelans from receiving a few tons of food, would neither facilitate the movement toward a peaceful settlement nor aid toward a peaceful settlement nor add to Venezuela's ability to pay such award as might be adjudged against her.—*Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

WINKLINGS

— He (facetiously)—A society belle should have the right ring. She (demurely)—Well, I have hopes. —*Yonker's Statesman.*

— Alice: What makes you think he has been in love before? Edith—The proposal he made to me was entirely extemporaneous.

— "I never could understand why a woman puts anything on her face. She deceives no one but herself." "Isn't that enough?"—*Life.*

— Sunday School Teacher—And it took Noah a hundred years to build the ark. Street Arab—What was the matter—was there a strike?—*Puck.*

— Roderick—You say he has faced bursting shells. What battle was he in? Van Albert—None! He is a chestnut roaster.—*Chicago News.*

— Sillicus—Everybody says he is a genius. Cynicus—Then I guess he might be. It takes a genius to convince other people that you are one.—*Phil. Record.*

— "That must have been a terrible explosion aboard that warship the other day." "Yes, indeed. Why, the report of it was even in the California papers.—*Philadelphia Press.*

—Bystander—Why are you crying, my little boy? Little Boy—Boo-hoo! I froze me fingers makin' twenty snowballs and de parson didn't wear his plug hat.—*Chicago News.*

Say, who's at the head of this railroad, anyway? asked the irate passenger. The motorman, of course; he's at the head of every car," said the kind old conductor.—*Buffalo Express.*

—Father—What do you mean, my son? Your teacher a nuisance? What talk! Theobald—Well, that's what you call me when I ask questions, an' teacher does nothin' else.—*Liverpool Post.*

— "I suppose you have some scheme for annihilating the trusts?" "Great Scott, no," answered Senator Sorghum, "do you suppose I want to kill the goose that lays the golden eggs?"—*Washington Star.*

— Newitt—Funny! I always associate your wife with a certain episode in my own life. There's just one thing she always reminds me of—Henpeck—I wish I could say that. There's lots of things she always reminds me of.—*Philadelphia Record.*

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. B. JOHN, P. E., Wilmington, N. C.

Clinton, Clinton, Jan. 30.
Kenansville, Friendship, Jan. 31, Feb. 1.
Bladen, Bethlehem, Feb. 7, 8.
Elizabeth, Elizabethtown, Feb. 9.
Carver's Creek, Council Station Feb. 10.
Onslow, Queen's Creek, Feb. 14, 15.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Half Moon, Feb. 21, 22.
Missionary Institute will be held at Grace church Feb. 4th and 5th, 1903.
District conference will meet at Jacksonville Tuesday Mar. 17th at 5 o'clock P. M. and continue through the 18th and 19th, 1903.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Lumberton *Robesonian*: The latest reports received from Mr. Oscar McLeod, who is dangerously sick at Davidson College, are not encouraging. A fine constitution makes the battle for life a hard one; but viewed most hopefully, his case is extremely serious, and his recovery exceedingly doubtful.

— Raleigh *Post*: Mr. Charles Barnes, a young white man, was seriously injured Monday afternoon at Winston while climbing the side of a freight car, which was being shifted in the Norfolk & Western yard. He was caught between the car and the depot platform and was terribly mashed. The physicians fear he is hurt internally.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: Saturday night about 1 o'clock a colored man was found in a dying condition beside the railroad track near Sergeant's foundry. The man was Henry McAdoo, who has been working on the street force here for several years. McAdoo, it is believed, was drunk, as he had been raising a disturbance on the streets earlier in the night. It is thought that he was walking on the track and was struck by No. 38, which passes here about 11 o'clock. Both of his legs were broken right above the ankle and there was a bad wound back of his right ear. He was found about 1 o'clock and lived until 4:30 Sunday morning.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Last week little Robert Lee Jones, the four year old son of Mr. W. C. Jones of Spencer, narrowly escaped a horrible death. The little fellow crowded into a dog house which contained a quantity of straw and in some way set fire to the straw. The doorway to the kennel was very small and the little boy could not get out for the flames and smoke. His mother hearing his cries ran to his assistance and was compelled to throw water on the burning dog box before she could get her son out. When she did succeed in extricating him his face and head were terribly burned and he has not been able to see since the unfortunate accident.

— Winston *Republican*: There is a good deal of surveying being done southwardly, and presumably by the Seabord Air Line Railway, and all heading toward Winston-Salem. The latest news regarding these preliminary surveys is that a "crew," representing a new Rail Road from the Cumnock coal mines via High Point, Kernersville and Winston Salem, to some point on the N. & W. Railroad and believed to be in the interest of the S. A. L., are camping near Kernersville, arriving at that point Saturday. —— At the funeral of two negro men at Gold Hill church near Rutherfordton, Jan. 17th Uncle Jack A. Logan prayed and assisted in the funeral services. When the congregation rose to leave the church, Uncle Jack dropped dead. He had just finished his prayer and was to have concluded the services at the graves. He was left in the church until the remains of the other two were buried and was then brought to Rutherfordton.

The Merry Wag.

Butkins—I don't know that you ever met my wife?

Wisbin—Can't say that I ever met her, but I have seen her many times. By the way, saw her kissing a man on your back stoop t'other evening.

Butkins—Saw my wife kissing a man? What do you mean by such a story as that?

Wisbin—Just what I say, that's all.

Butkins—You actually mean it? If I only knew who the rascal was, I'd—

Wisbin—Don't get excited. It was you, of course. Supposed you'd know that at once.—Boston Transcript.

A Marvelous Invention.

Wonders never cease. A machine has been invented that will cut, paste and hang wall paper. The field of inventions and discoveries seem to be unlimited. Notable among great discoveries is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It has done a world of good for weak lungs and has saved many a life. Thousand have used it and conquered Grip, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Consumption. Their general verdict is: "It's the best and most reliable medicine for Throat and Lung troubles." Every 50c and $1.00 bottle is guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Trial bottles free. †

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ST. LAZARE.

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If the walls of St. Lazare could speak, they would tell a tale of misery, of cruelty, oppression and discomfort undergone by the wretched female convicts there which would make a dog rejoice that he did not wear the human shape. Victor Hugo has told what it was to be a galley slave in France in a time not so long ago. Where is the feminine Victor Hugo who will dare write of what her own sex endured from the prison guards of those dens of horror in which helpless women prisoners were formerly caged in France?

But there are French ladies who know these horrors to the full. Some twenty years ago they set themselves to have them mitigated. They have worked as only women full of a holy enthusiasm can work, and their efforts have been crowned partly with success. One branch of their enterprise is to receive on release from a Paris prison young women not yet hardened criminals and procure employment for them that they may not of necessity sink back into the black pools of iniquity that lie only beneath the surface crust of the brilliant city.

ENTRANCE TO ST. LAZARE.

St. Lazare is the principal women's prison of Paris, to which are sent those arrested and sentenced for short terms as well as those held for trial or other detention. It gets its name because it was formerly the home of the members of the church order of St. Lazare. When they removed from the building, it was turned into a house of detention for arrested women. Convent cell was merely turned into prison cell, and the change does not seem so great after all. Still, however, there is a conventual air about the grim old building, for gentle blue veiled nuns guard and minister to the prisoners. Women arrested and detained in Paris are usually turned over to the Sisters of Maria Joseph, and these have charge of the prisons for their own sex. Thither female criminals are conveyed from the various police stations.

St. Lazare is situated at the corner of Boulevard Magenta and Rue de Faubourg St. Denis. Like nearly every building in Paris on the left bank of the Seine, it is old and huge and gray and frowning. In the unspeakable old days when men jailers kept it its other terrors were added to by vile uncleanliness and lack of sanitation. The gentle yet strong Sisters of Maria Joseph have cleansed it to the utmost, so far as may be, yet there are insects in its walls, there are hauntings of old tragedies, of the groans of the helpless, the prayers of the dying, if not of the ghosts of the dead themselves, in the grim, dark old compartments, things that no brush, soap and water, no disinfectant or wash, may ever clear out. Old prisons, old hospitals and insane asylums, old tenement houses inhabited by the dirty, the sick, the wicked and the forlorn ought to be burned to the ground like pesthouses, at least so soon as they are a century old. The despairing, stifling atmosphere of the interior of St. Lazare sickens the free visitor from outside to this day.

St. Lazare has accommodations, if one might call them so, for 2,000 inmates. French prisons have hospitals connected with them; often, too, departments that serve as almhouses to shelter the homeless. St. Lazare is provided with these branches of administration. It is the custom, too, in France, humane or otherwise as one looks at it, to let the children of convict women remain with the mothers till they are four years old. Mothers arrested go to St. Lazare with their little ones, and there, mingling among thieves, drunkards, the lowest outcasts, some no doubt with murder on their souls, the children run about. Not infrequently an infant is born to a prisoner mother in the gloomy walls of St. Lazare. It, too, the sisters care for.

Women sentenced for a longer term than two months are sent to the new prison at Nanterre, in the country a short distance from Paris. The new prison at Nanterre, to which such convicts are conveyed from St. Lazare, is a modern structure, with new walls, with light and air, and it has something which some of the most splendid of the old time French palaces lack, a bathroom with hot and cold water. Here, too, are many cells for solitary confinement, and the punishment most dreaded by a Frenchwoman is to be put away alone where she can neither see nor speak to any human being.

ALEXANDRA COSMO.

For His Sovereign's Sake.

The shah of Persia when in France suffered from a toothache, and so a dentist was summoned to remove the offending tooth. But, like less exalted mortals, the shah, when he found himself face to face with the dentist, discovered that his toothache had disappeared, and so absolutely refused to be operated on. However, his majesty declared that he did not wish the dentist to lose his time, and so commanded that a tooth should be extracted from each of his suit. He said this with his eyes fixed on the ground, and then, suddenly looking up, found, to his intense amusement, that all his ministers and staff had quietly slipped away except the grand vizier, whom he complimented upon being the only one faithful enough to undergo a little discomfort for his sovereign's sake. Then he dismissed the dentist with a present.

Domestic Troubles.

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Uncommon Colds.

"It is just a common cold," people say, "there's no danger in that." Admitting their statement, then there are *uncommon* colds, colds which are dangerous; for many a fatal sickness begins with a cold. If we could tell the common cold from the uncommon we could feel quite safe. But we can't. The uncommon variety is rarely recognized until it has fastened its hold on the lungs, and there are symptoms of consumption.

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If you ask your dealer for "Golden Medical Discovery" because you have confidence in its cures, do not allow yourself to be switched off to a medicine claimed to be "just as good," but which you did not ask for and of which you know nothing.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure dizziness and sick headache.

Weeping at a Wedding.

A Chinese marriage is all ceremony—no talk, no levity and much crying. The solemnity of a funeral prevails. After the exchange of presents the bride is dressed with much care in a red gown, brocade or silk, if she can get it; her eyelashes are painted a deep black, and she wears a heavy red veil attached to a scarlet headdress, from which imitation pearls are pendent over the forehead. A feast is spread upon a table, to which the blushing bride is led by five of her best female friends. They are seated at the table, but no one eats. The utmost silence prevails, when, finally, the mother leads off in a cry, the maids follow and the bride echoes in the chorus. Then all the bridesmaids leave the table and the disconsolate mother takes a seat beside the chair of state where the bride sits. The bridegroom now enters, with four of his best men. The men pick up the throne on which the bride sits, and, preceded by the bridegroom, form in procession and walk around the room or into an adjoining parlor, signifying that he is carrying her away to his own home. The guests then throw rice at the happy couple, a custom we have borrowed from the heathen.

Professional Pride.

Newspaper men, from great editors down to rural correspondents, are proud of their profession, although not all sit as secure as John Black, for many years the chief of the London Chronicle.

Black supported the Melbourne administration in his paper, yet he never asked a favor of any of the ministers. On one occasion Lord Melbourne said to him:

"You are the only man in England who forgets that I am prime minister."

"How so, my lord?" inquired Black, supposing that he had been inadvertently disrespectful.

"Because," replied Melbourne, "you are the only man I know who never asks a favor of me."

"I have no favor to ask," said Black quietly. "I have no favor to ask any one in the world! You are prime minister of England, but I am editor of the Morning Chronicle, and I would not change places with the proudest man in England—not even, my lord, with you."

A Pitch Lake.

Trinidad, an island in the south Atlantic opposite the mouth of the Orinoco, is famous for its pitch. There are districts where there is pitch everywhere. The beach is pitch, and so are the "rocks," some of which have been carried off to supply Paris and New York with tar pavements. At La Brea pineapples grow to perfection in a brown soil which is half pitch. But the wonder of the isle is the pitch lake a mile and a half in circumference. As it lies glittering in the sun it looks like a vast bed of monstrous mushrooms, all black and of all kinds of shape and size, some measuring as much as fifty feet across. The space between these unlovely objects is filled with oily water. In parts of the lake the pitch is quite liquid, and the ground all round is full of pitch and coaly stuff to a depth of hundreds of feet.

There is altogether too much seductively phrased literature being circulated nowadays booming the semiarid sections of the west as choice farm lands. A lot of people are going to be fooled and a whole lot of future misery and loss entailed. If a man wants to raise crops, let him go north, 'way north, if he can stand the cold, provided he keeps within the rain belt, but for any other purpose than that of keeping stock let him beware of the land whereon the buffalo grass grows.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.
Stmr City of Fayetteville, Worth, Fayetteville, T D Love.
Schr Lillian Woodruff, 288 tons, Kneeland, Boston, George Harriss, Son & Co.
British schooner Goldseeker, 199 tons, Diggdon, Philadelphia, J T Riley & Co.

CLEARED.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.
British barque Nellie Troop, Nobles, New York, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—1 bale cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 59 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.
W. & W. Railroad—161 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 38 barrels tar, 1 barrel crude turpentine.
W., C. & A. Railroad—434 bales cotton, 48 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.
A. & Y. Railroad—89 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 294 barrels rosin, 15 barrels tar.
Steamer A. P. Hurt—100 bales cotton, 11 casks spirits turpentine, 25 barrels rosin, 61 barrels tar.
Matthew's raft—130 barrels rosin.
Autry's raft—143 barrels rosin.
Total—788 bales cotton, 18 casks spirits turpentine, 509 barrels rosin, 231 barrels tar, 5 barrels crude turpentine.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.]

STAR OFFICE, January 27.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 50c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.55 per barrel for strained and $1.60 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm at $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.50 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 43@43c. rosin firm at $1.10@1.15; tar firm at $1 25; crude turpentine firm at $1.35 @2.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	18
Rosin	502
Tar	231
Crude turpentine	5

Receipts same day last year—20 casks spirits turpentine, 450 barrels rosin, 144 barrels tar, 65 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6½ cts.
Good ordinary	7½ "
Low middling	8¼ "
Middling	8¾ "
Good middling	9¾ "

Same day last year, market steady at 7⅝c for middling.

Receipts—738 bales; same day last year, 663.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm, 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@ 18c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 20c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@ 30c; springs, 15@20c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12@13½c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Money on call steady at 3½@4 per cent., closing at 3½@3½ per cent.; time money steady: 60 days, 4½ per cent.; 90 days, 4½ per cent.; six months 4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper @5½ per cent. Sterling exchange was heavy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486.80 for demand and at 483.80@483.85 for sixty days. Posted rates 484½ and 487½@488. Commercial bills 482½@483½. Bar silver 47¼. Mexican dollars 37½. Government bonds steady. State bonds—no report. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. funding 2's, registered, 105; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 109; U. S. 3's, registered, 107; do. coupon, 107¾; U. S. 4's, new registered, 134¼; do. coupon, 136½; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 110; do. coupon, 110; U. S. 5's, registered, 103; do. coupon 104¼; Southern Railway, 5's, 117¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 101¼. Chesapeake & Ohio 53¼; Manhattan L. 144½; New York Central 151½; Reading 61⅜; do. 1st preferred 87¼; do. 2nd preferred 74½; St. Paul 177¾; do. pref'd, 191½; Southern Railway 38; do. pref'd 94¾; Amalgamated Copper 65½; People's Gas 105½; Sugar 139¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 63⅝; U. S. Leather 13½; do. pref'd, 89; Western Union 90; U. S. Steel 37⅝; do. pref'd 87¾; Virginia-Carolina Chemical 52; sales 300 do. preferred, 121; sales 100 common. Standard Oil, 735@739.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 27.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 25¾; do. preferred, bonds, 42½; fours, 83¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 27—Rosin firm. Strained common to good $1 95@2 00. Spirits turpentine steady at 63¾@64.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 27.—Spirits turpentine firm at 59½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — casks: A, B, C, $1 65; D, $1 65; E, $1 65; F, $1 70 G, $1 80; H, $2 00; I, $2 35; K, $2 85; M, $3 30; N, $3 55; W G, $3 75; W W $4 15.

SAVANNAH, Jan 27.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 61c bid; receipts 154 casks; sales 373 casks; exports — casks. Rosin firm; receipts 5,069 barrels; sales 2,853 barrels; exports — barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $1 70, D, $1 70; E, $1 70; F, $1 75; G, $1 85; H, $2 05; I, $2 40; K $2 90; M, $3 35; N, $3 55; W G, $3 80; W W, $4 20.

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of three to five points. Later, business increased the advance to eight and thirteen points. The improvement followed very strong cables, which instead of showing no change or some decline as would have been in keeping with the closing of the New York market the previous day, an advance was reported by the early cables with the net improvement finally a matter of one to four points on futures and four points on spot cotton, of which sales in the English market reached 12,000 bales. Buying was active throughout the session. Shorts covered heavily. New Orleans parties were enormous buyers in the afternoon. The Liverpool firmness, according to private cables, was largely due to active buying by Egyptian speculators and by the covering of European shorts. The upward movement was accelerated by reports of continued demand in the Southern spot cotton markets from exporters and spinners. Another stimulating feature was the large showing made by exports, which for some cause have been exceeding port receipts. To-day the export clearances reached 46 264 bales against 38,484 port receipts. The close was at a net advance of seven to eleven points. Total sales futures estimated at 300,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Cotton steady at 9 00c; net receipts 131 bales; gross receipts 7,354 bales; stock 161,754 bales.

Spot closed 5 points higher; middling uplands 9.00c; middling gulf 9 25c. sales — bales.

Futures opened steady and closed steady. The closing quotations were: January 8 76, February 8.74, March 8.78, April 8.81, May 8 83, June 8.82, July 8.83, August 8 62, September 8.35, October 8.13.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 38,484 bales; exports to Great Britain 3 630 bales; exports to France 38,577 bales; exports to the Continent 15,093 bales; stock 1,055,078 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 98,840 bales; exports to Great Britain 34,695 bales; exports to France 38,577 bales; exports to the Continent 63,567 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5,763,811 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,772,355 bales; exports to France 892,788 bales; exports to the Continent 1,864,192 bales

Jan. 27.—Galveston, firm at 8 13-16c, net receipts 12,666 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 8 13-16c, net receipts 2,910 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¾, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8.95c, net receipts 682 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8¼c, net receipts 738 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 9.35c, net receipts 50 bales; Savannah, steady at 8 9 16c, net receipts 8,562 bales; New Orleans, strong at 8¼c, net receipts 11,619 bales; Mobile, quiet at 8¾c, net receipts 595 bales; Memphis, firm at 8 11-16c, net receipts 1,377 bales; Augusta, steady at 8 15 16c, net receipts 691 bales; Charleston, firm at 8¼, net receipts 333 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Flour was dull and nominally unchanged. Rye flour quiet. Wheat—Spot easy; No 2 red 81¾c. Options closed a 1¼@1¾c net decline: March closed 83¾c; May closed 81¼c July closed 18¾c Corn—Spot easy; No 2 55¾@56c Options closed ¼@¾c net lower. Closing sales—January closed 69¾; February closed —c March closed 57c May closed 50¾c July closed 48¾c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2. 44c. Options quiet and barely steady; May closed 41¼c, Lard dull; Western steam $10 40@10 50; refined, continent $10 55; compound 7¼ @7¾c. Pork steady. Tallow firm Butter steady extra creamery 26c; State dairy 18@25c Cheese firm new State full cream, small colored, fancy fall made 14½c; small white, fall made, 14¼ @14½c. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; mild quiet. Sugar Raw steady; centrifugal, 96 test, 3¾c, refined sugar steady. Rice steady. Potatoes steady; Long Island $2 00@2 25; South Jersey sweets $2 50@4 00; Jerseys $1 75@2 00; New York and Western per 180 lbs, $1 50 @2 00. Molasses firm. Peanuts steady; fancy hand picked 4¼@4¼c; other domestic 3@4¼c. Cabbages easy; domestic, per barrel red $1 00@1 25; white 75@90c. Freights to Liverpool—cotton by steam 12c. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania average best 25c. Cotton seed oil—The quotations closed: Prime crude nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 34@34¼c; prime summer yellow 40¼@41c; off summer yellow 39c; prime white 45c; prime winter yellow 45c; prime meal $27 50@ 28 00, nominal.

CHICAGO, January 27 —There was an enormous trade in wheat to-day, heavy realizing by the leader of the longs caused a break of 2c in the May delivery and the close was weak and at a loss of 2½c from yesterday's close. May corn closed ½c lower, with oats down 1@1½c. Provisions closed weak, the May products being from 10 to 22½c lower.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Cash prices: Flour quiet and easy. Wheat—No. 2 spring 78@80c; No. 3 spring 72@74c; No. 2 red 75@77¼c. Corn—No 2 45¼c; No. 3 yellow 45½c. Oat —No. 2 32½c; No. 3 white —c; No. 3 white 33¾@35. Mess pork, per barrel, $17 00 @17 25. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10 20@ 10 30. Short rib sides, loose, $9 05 @9 15 Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 25@8 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $9 50@9 75 Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 30.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 January 77¼, 77¾, 75 75; May 81¼@81¾, 81¾@82, 78¾, 79@79½c; July 75@75¼, 75¾, 74¾, 74¾c. Corn—No. 2, January 46, 46¾, 45, 45¾; May 45@45¼ 45¾, 44¾ 44½c; July 43¾@43¾, 43

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IN THE GHOST'S PATH

By Lester Grey

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Mary Manners was at war with herself and with all the world. Will Voight found that this was not a case where "present company is excepted."

"No," she said and shook her head so decidedly that certain rebellious curls bobbed in her eyes. "No, I don't want to go to the theater. I want to be alone and to think. Who could think in a hot, stuffy theater? We will go to the park."

He ventured to hint that even his presence might be a bar to the flow of thought.

"I could not go alone, stupid! It would not be proper."

"Or interesting."

She flashed him a look, and he subsided.

The park looked cold and rather gloomy, but her sigh of satisfaction

"OH, IT'S GOING INTO THE WATER! SAVE IT! SAVE IT!"

was quite ecstatic as she cried, "Oh, I do love the park!"

"So do I in summer."

"But now, when the breath of spring is in the air."

"More winter than spring in this air," he retorted grimly. "There is a lot of ice still in these sheltered walks, so do let me help you."

But she refused his proffered hand and stepped daintily along. She even hummed a fragment of a gay dance tune. Evidently her spirits were rising in proportion as his fell. Overhead the bare branches creaked and sighed. Underfoot the walk looked treacherous enough in the fitful glimmer of the gas lamps.

Now came a bit of incline. She started down recklessly, with a challenging look at her silent escort. "Let's see who gets to the bottom first."

But on the instant her foot caught on a bit of gravel. She swayed and would have fallen if his ready hand had not steadied her. The effort, however, destroyed his own equilibrium. Down, down rolled the dignified Mr. Voight to the bottom of the slide. His high silk hat rolled even faster in an exploring expedition toward the little brook that ran alongside the path.

The girl clasped her hands tragically. "Oh, it is going into the water! Save it! Save it!" Then she burst out laughing.

Mr. Voight raised himself stiffly and went in chase of the hat.

When he brought it back, she was still laughing.

"I am glad that I afforded you so much amusement." His tone was very freezing. "And I am happy to tell you that the hat has escaped injury. Your anxiety about it was quite remarkable. As for my injuries—oh, that is a matter of no consequence to you evidently."

Her laughter had died away, and she bent toward him contritely. "Forgive my laughing! If you could only have seen how funny you looked!" Another paroxysm was threatened, but she steadied her voice as she caught sight of his face. "But you are not hurt, are you? Just let me brush you off, and you will be all right, Will."

"Will" refused to be placated. He had been laughed at, and ridicule pierces to the innermost core of a man's being.

"Don't pretend an interest you have just shown conclusively you do not feel. I am quite ready to resume our walk—homeward." And he turned and began to ascend the incline.

The girl was glad that the friendly darkness hid her involuntary expression of pained surprise. William the meek, William the long suffering, had rebelled. She had teased him and played with him. This, then, was the last straw.

Then a wave of indignation flooded over her. How rude he was, how unkind! She stood still and gazed at the tall figure hurrying up the slope. How could he treat her so? She would go home alone. But the park was very dark and silent. A cold tremor seized her. She was afraid.

With most undignified haste she hurried after and caught up with him, panting. A glance at him brought back her courage. His bearing was anything but victorious.

Her tone matched his own as she said: "I cannot go home alone. We need not have any further conversation, however, and I won't trouble you again."

Voight winced visibly at her words. There were signs of yielding as he replied, "You know that I am always glad to do things for you."

Miss Manners laughed bitterly. "And yet you were going to leave me alone just now. It wasn't a kind, wasn't a gentlemanly, thing to do."

His anger flamed up again. "I could not endure your mockery. It simply showed that I had been mistaken all along; that you did not care for me; had been only playing with me."

Her voice was low and vibrant as she retorted: "That is why I was restless tonight, why I have been restless for many days. I was trying to make up my mind whether I really loved you. You have helped me to solve the question. I can give you the answer now. It is 'No.'"

He was too stunned to speak, and so they hurried on in silence. An angry spot of color burned in the girl's cheeks, but the darkness hid this as well as the glint of tears in her eyes and the pallor of the man's face.

Suddenly he caught her to him almost rudely. She struggled, but he lifted her bodily and then set her down, trembling. Even as her cry of indignation rang out there was a blaze of white light, a whir of wheels, and the automobile was out of sight.

Voight's voice trembled as he whispered, "That is the White Ghost, but it might have been the White Death for both of us."

He held her in his arms, though she struggled. She was yet too indignant and too startled to realize her narrow escape.

After a moment: "What was it to you if I had been killed? What right have you to interfere?"

There was a traitorous tremble in her voice that gave him courage.

"The right of loving you. Had the last ten minutes made life seem so worthless for you too?"

He tried to see her face, but she had hidden it on his shoulder. He bent his head till his lips almost touched her hair. "Can't you find it in your heart to change your answer?"

Her face was still hidden, and only a lover's ear could have caught the faint reply.

Origin of Old Glory.

In the reminiscences of Lord Ronald Gower is found a story of the origin of the stars and stripes.

The "star spangled banner" of the American republic has its origin from an old brass on the floor of Brington church, in Northamptonshire. The brass covers the tomb of one Robert Washington and is dated 1622. On it appears the Washington coat of arms, consisting of three stars, with bars or stripes beneath them. On the first day of the new year, 1776, the thirteen united colonies raised a standard at Washington's headquarters.

This introduced the stripes of the present, but retained the crosses of St. George and St. Andrew on a blue ground in the corner. In 1777 the crosses were replaced by stars, as the Declaration of Independence rendered the retention of the English element unnecessary and inconvenient. In thus adopting the arms of his ancestors as his own distinctive badge Washington no doubt intended the flag merely as a private signal for his own personal following, but it was at once adopted as a national emblem. Probably there is not another case in the world's history in which the private arms of an obscure family have attained such world-wide eminence and repute.

Intelligent Robins.

The following incident seems too remarkable to be true, and yet it is vouched for by a writer whose word should not be doubted: Two robins were trying to teach their little one to fly. It attempted to cover too great a distance and fell to the ground. My little boy caught it, and I told him to put it on the roof of our side porch.

Then he and I watched to see what the old birds would do. They fluttered about the yard for awhile and then flew off. We waited for them to return, but they did not, and I had just made up my mind that they had deserted the young one when I saw them coming, accompanied by a third one. They flew directly to the roof of the porch, and I saw that one of them had a piece of twine in its bill.

And what do you suppose they did next? If I had not seen it, I never would have believed it. Two of them caught hold of the twine, one at each end, and the little one caught the middle of it in his bill. Then they flew off of the porch, the third robin flying under the little one and supporting it on his back.—Minneapolis Journal.

Its Contents.

Ida—I really believe that you know the contents of this love letter.

May (impatiently)—Oh, nonsense.

Ida—There! Didn't I say you knew what it contained?—Chicago News.

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A special drive in Silks—all colors in pretty China Silk at 29c per yd. An elegant Taffetta Silk in all colors and black at 42c; an extra heavy quality of Black Taffetta Silk, yard wide, special at 88c, worth $1; a beautiful White China Silk at 50c per yd; a guaranteed Taffetta Silk $1.19 per yd; the heaviest and best warranted Taffetta, yard wide, at $1.39 per yd. Fifty pieces pretty Tricots in all the shades—pinks, bright blues and all staple colors, special at 25c per yd. A big selection of pretty patterns in a F. C. Madras, special at 10c per yd; a beautiful line of Madras in extremely pretty colors, equal to best 10c quality, we are selling at 8c. A nice line of Worsteds, special this week at 9c per yd. Nine thousand yards Tobacco Cloth, one yard wide, at 1½ per yard; 1,000 yards heavy Homespun at 4c per yard; 450 yards Old Glory Bleaching, equal to Fruit of Loom, at 7c per yard. Splendid yard wide Cavalier Bleaching at 5c. Fruit of Loom, Masonville, Androscoggin and Barker's—plenty of all grades.

A big drive in Birdseye, best antiseptic quality, at 50c, 60c, 70c, 75c and 85c for the widest; also a full stock of Rubber Sheeting 1 yd wide at 38c, yard wide for 50c, 2 yards wide for $1.

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Lace Curtains—Do you need any? If you do look at our line. We buy direct from the factory in wholesale quantities and can undersell competition; good curtains at 45c a pair; 3 yard long curtains at 75c a pair; beautiful 3 yard curtains at $1 a pair.

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These prices are quoted spot cash and we punch no card on them, it is simply turning Blankets into money.

Cut in Prices on Ladies' Hats—We will give you your choice out of 500 Hats for 25c each. We also have about 100 ready-to-wear Hats, you can have your choice of for 60c each. In ladies' early Spring Hats, we have plenty of pretty black chips; nice nobby black Sailors and plenty of new Spring flowers; 500 pieces pretty new Ribbon and 400 yards yard-wide Silk which we are selling at 35c per yard.

All Silk Ribbon No. 40, in pretty colors, at 10c per yd.

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Do you trade with us? If not, why not? We are your friends. We give presents with all cash purchases. Get your card punched and do your trading at

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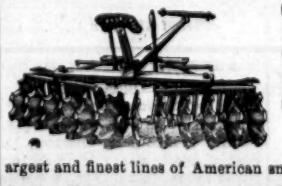

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Make Men's feet glad. They are the best that can be produced for Style, Wear and Comfort. We sell them in Vici, Calf and Box Calf, Bals, Bluchers and Congress.

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jan 25 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

LOW ROUND TRIP

Rates From Wilmington

Mardi-Gras, New Orleans, La., Feb. 18th-24th, 1903. Dates of sale Feb. 17th to 23rd, inclusive. Final limit Feb. 28th. Rate, $35.00. By deposit of tickets by original purchasers with Mr. Joseph Richardson, special agent, New Orleans, not earlier than Feb. 18th nor later than Feb. 28th and upon payment of fee of 50 cts. per ticket at time of deposit an extension of the final limit to a date not later than March 14th, 1903, may be obtained.

W. J. CRAIG,
Approved: Gen'l Passenger Agent.
H. M. EMERSON,
Traffic Manager.
nov 15 tf

SEABOARD
AIR LINE RAILWAY

Schedule in Effect Jan. 11, 1903.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington at 4:30 P. M., arrives Lumberton 6:56 P. M., Pembroke 7:30 P. M., Maxton 7:55 P. M., Hamlet 8:40 P. M.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Hamlet at 8:30 A. M., arrives Maxton 9:15 A. M., Pembroke 9:43 A. M., Lumberton 10:08 A. M., Wilmington 12:30 noon.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	8 50 a m	9 00 p m
Ar Monroe	10 32 a m	10.45 p m
Ar Charlotte	11.40 a m	11 50 p m
Ar Chester	12 01 p m	11 50 p m
Ar Greenwood	2.49 p m	2.05 a m
Ar Athens	5 19 p m	4.15 a m
Ar Atlanta	7.40 p m	6.15 a m

Close connection at Atlanta for Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans and all points in Texas, Mexico and California; also for Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, and Western and Northwestern points.

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	5 00 a m	8.45 a m	9 30 p m
Ar Columbia	7 34 a m	11 58 a m	1.10 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m	2 15 p m	4 55 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 30 p m	7 40 p m	9 15 a m
Ar Tampa		6 45 a m	6 00 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

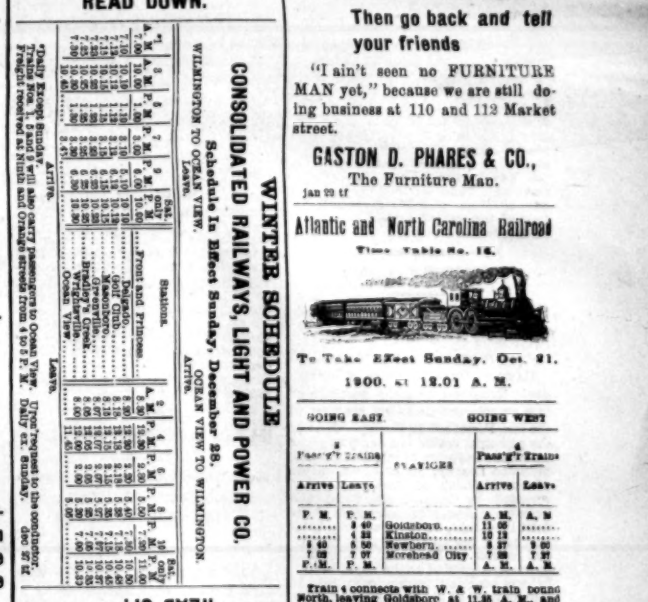
Lv Hamlet	10.25 p m	8.03 a m	
Ar Raleigh	1.15 a m	11.10 a m	
Ar Norlina	3.18 a m	1.95 p m	
Ar Portsmouth	7.10 a m	5.35 p m	
Ar Norfolk			
Lv Hamlet	10.25 p m	8.45 a m	12.10 a m
Ar Raleigh	1.15 a m	11.45 a m	2.38 a m
Ar Norlina	3.18 a m	1.38 p m	
Ar Petersburg	5.32 a m	4.10 p m	
Ar Richmond	6.10 a m	4.50 p m	6.40 a m
Ar Washington	9.45 a m	8.35 p m	10.10 a m
Ar Baltimore	10.54 a m	11.26 p m	11.51 a m
Ar New York	3.18 p m	6.30 a m	4.15 p m

Through Pullman sleepers from Hamlet to all points North, South and Southwest.

For tickets, Pullman reservations, etc., apply to Thomas D. Meares, General Agent, Wilmington, N. C.
jan 13 tf

READ DOWN.

WINTER SCHEDULE
CONSOLIDATED RAILWAYS, LIGHT AND POWER CO.
Schedule in Effect Sunday, December 28, 1902.
WILMINGTON TO OCEAN VIEW.
OCEAN VIEW TO WILMINGTON.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Front and Princess.
Depot.
Golf Club.
Greenville.
Bradley's Creek.
Ocean View.

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GUION & DAVIS,
no 29 tf 7 South Front Stree

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Jan. 11, 1903.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48	No. 40
Lv Wilmington	9.30 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12.31 p m	9 33 p m
Ar Wilson	1.19 p m	10 40 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1.55 p m	11.25 p m
Ar Norlina	3.55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4.53 p m	1.45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6.33 p m	3.25 a m
Ar Richmond	7.45 p m	4.07 a m
Ar Washington	11.40 p m	7.54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.23 a m	9.10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4.05 a m	11.35 a m
Ar New York	7.15 a m	2.00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41	No. 49
Lv New York	8.05 a m	9.00 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11.30 a m	12.10 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.44 p m	3.27 a m
Ar Washington	3.50 p m	5.45 a m
Ar Norfolk		9.00 a m
Ar Richmond	6.56 p m	8.30 a m
Ar Petersburg	7.32 p m	9.13 a m
Ar Weldon	9.04 p m	11.22 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10.07 p m	12.50 p m
Ar Wilson	10.48 p m	1.46 p m
Ar Goldsboro	1.16 a m	3.55 p m
Ar Wilmington	10.10 a m	5.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6.00 a m	3.45 p m	7.00 p m
Ar Florence	9.20 a m	7.30 p m	9.55 a m†
Ar Charleston	1.10 p m	11.15 p m	2.45 a m
Ar Savannah	6.35 p m	3.00 a m	7.05 a m
Ar Jacksonville		9.00 a m	12.45 p m
Ar Tampa		7.00 p m	10.00 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.
Lv Tampa	8.00 p m	9.30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7.30 a m	7.40 p m
Ar Savannah	1.10 p m	1.15 a m
Ar Charleston	5.15 p m	6.25 a m
Ar Florence	8.09 p m	9.45 a m
Ar Wilmington	11.45 p m	1.40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound Daily.	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9.10 a m	Ar. 5.00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12.23 p m	Ar. 1.30 p m
Ar Sanford	1.50 p m	Lv. 3.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday.	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	12.32 p m	Ar. 12.05 p m
Ar Newbern	3.45 p m	Lv. 9.09 a m

†Via Wilson.

Trains Nos. 40 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Penna R. R. for all points east.

W. J. CRAIG,
Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager.
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Hardware of every description at the very closest prices. We buy in car load lots and can sell cheaper than those who buy in smaller quantities.

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Fine stock of Cutlery, Guns, Pistols and Sporting Goods. Loaded Shells with Black or Smokeless Powder, Hunting Suits, Game Bags, etc.

Cooking Stoves and Steel Ranges from the largest to the smallest in size as well as price. Tinwars, Agate Ware and Wooden Ware, Buckets for the well and domestic purposes. Plows, Harrows, Sweeps, Hoes, shovels and Spades at prices to suit the farmer. Knives and Forks, Cutlery, etc. Cart Axles, Boxes, Collars and Hames, Trace Chains, Back-bands and everything used on a well regulated farm.
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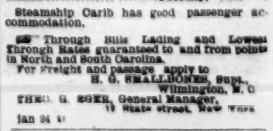

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. Pass'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
11 05	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	
10 13	4 32	Kinston	10 13	
8 57	5 50	Newbern	8 57	7 50
7 03	7 37	Morehead City	7 03	7 37
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.45 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 4.55 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The Clyde Steamship Co

New York,
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From New York for Wilmington.

CARIB.....Saturday, Jan. 31
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From Wilmington for New York.

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ONEIDA.....Tuesday, Jan. 27
CARIB.....Tuesday, Feb. 3

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THEO. G. SOYE, General Manager,
11 State street, New York.
jan 24 tf

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the next General Assembly for the passage of an Act granting a charter to the Elizabeth City and Carolina Through Line Railroad Co., (or other name suggested at time of making application) to build a railroad from Wilmington, N. C., to Elizabeth City, N. C.

January 18th, 1903.

jan 21m ROBERT G. GRADY.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JAN. 28.

SENATE CONSIDERED THE STATEHOOD BILL.

The House Devoted the Day to Bills Reported from Judiciary Committee, Passing About Twenty.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27. — Senator Quay made an effort to-day to hold the Senate in continuous session to consider the Statehood bill, but failed to hold a quorum and was compelled on that account to allow the Senate to adjourn at 6:20 P. M. He secured another ballot, however, to test the sentiment of the Senate, the vote standing 17 to 29 in his favor. The day was spent in consideration of the Statehood bill, with the exception of an hour devoted to a speech by Mr. Scott, of West Virginia, on the pension laws. The feature of the Statehood bill under special consideration to-day was the Arizona refunding proposition. It was charged that the territory has sought to repudiate bonds held by Hon. Bird S. Coler, late Democratic candidate for Governor of New York State. Mr. Foraker explained that the bonds were originally issued by Pima county and were declared fraudulent by the United States Supreme Court.

Afterward he said there had been explanation by Congress making the debt valid as against the territory as a whole and that afterwards the court had held the bond to be binding. Mr. Foraker said that the proceeds arising from the sale of the bonds had been pocketed by "a lot of thieves and scoundrels."

Mr. Lodge said that the history of the bonds would not be considered creditable to any community regardless of whether they were held by Mr. Coler or any one else and he was pleased that the question had been brought up, "because," he added, "it throws a strong if not a pleasing light upon the character of the people affected."

House of Representatives.

The House devoted the day to bills reported from the Judiciary Committee, passing about twenty. One was to cure defect in the Wilson act exposed by the original package decision of the Supreme Court, by making intoxicating liquors imported into States subject to the jurisdiction of such States. The bill is designed to prevent evasion of the local law under the original package decision in prohibition States. Another bill is the Senate bill to increase the salaries of Federal judges. It raises the salary of the chief justice of the Supreme Court to $13,000; the associate justices to $12,500, circuit judges to $7,000; district judges to $6,500; associate justices to $6,000 and the justices of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia to $6,000.

The House voted down an amendment offered by Mr. Randall, of Texas, to prohibit Federal judges from accepting free transportation from railroads or telegraph or telephone. frank.

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

COAL RAID IN CHICAGO.

The Contents of Five Cars Carried Away.

Women Led the Attack.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—A mob of nearly 500 men, women and boys held up a Chicago and Northwestern coal train and carried away the contents of five cars before they were dispersed by the police. Women led the attack, uncoupling the cars in a number of places and intimidating the train crew. For three hours traffic was suspended while the mob increased to more than a thousand persons. A riot call was turned in and order finally restored. Three women and two men were arrested, but the menacing attitude of the crowd caused the women to be quickly released.

ROOSEVELT IN OHIO.

Principal Orator at Banquet in Commemoration of McKinley's Birthday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CANTON, OHIO, January 27.—President Roosevelt to-night participated in a notable tribute to the memory of the late President McKinley. He was the principal orator at a banquet given under the auspices of the Canton Republican League, in commemoration of the birthday of McKinley. Surrounded by friends, neighbors and business and political associates of the dead President, he pronounced a brilliant and eloquent eulogy upon the life and works of McKinley. A eulogy by many regarded as the most beautiful and heartfelt tribute ever paid to the memory of the distinguished dead.

CATTLE QUARANTINE.

Special Orders Issued by the Secretary of Agriculture at Washington.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The secretary of agriculture has issued special orders modifying the Texas fever quarantine line for the States of California, Texas, Tennessee, Georgia, North Carolina and the Territory of Oklahoma. These orders move the line from the State borders and adopt the line established by the State and territorial authorities, who agree to cooperate with the department in the enforcement of the quarantine restrictions. Such restrictions for the State of Texas and the Territory of Oklahoma went into effect January 1, 1903, but for the remainder of the States named goes into effect February 1.

It is announced that the Rome cotton factory in Rome, Ga., will be sold to the highest bidder on February 3rd. It is said that the sale has been caused by the indebtedness of the company. The plant originally cost $125,000.

Wonderful Nerve.

Is displayed by many a man enduring pains of accidental Cuts, Wounds, Bruises, Burns, Scalds, Sore Feet or Stiff Joints. But there's no need for it. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It's the best Salve on earth for Piles, too. Only 25c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

FIFTY-TWO WOMEN BURNED TO DEATH.

Horrifying Spectacle at the Burning of an Insane Asylum in London, Eng.

FIVE BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

Insane People Panic Stricken—Had to Be Driven to Place of Safety--Some of the Victims Burned in Their Beds, Others in Corners.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Fifty-two insane patients, all women, were burned to death by a fire at the Colney Hatch asylum this morning.

The outbreak occurred in the Jewish wing of the institution. The flames spread with great rapidity, and before they could be got under control five wooden buildings, including dormitories and the doctors' apartments, were gutted.

All the efforts of the officials were directed to removing the insane patients, but the latter became wild with excitement and so panic-stricken that not only were they unable to help themselves, but greatly impeded the operations of those trying to save them.

There were nearly six hundred women in the burned annex at the time the fire was discovered and most of them were safely transferred to the main building, which was uninjured.

All the victims were lunatics. Their charred remains presented a horrifying spectacle. The asylum was besieged by anxious relatives or friends of the patients, who arrived from all quarters. Pitiable scenes were witnessed as weeping men and women left the premises after ascertaining if their relatives or friends perished in the flames.

The nurses had a terrible experience in trying to assist the insane people who were so panic-stricken that they had literally to be driven to a place of safety. The inflammable premises almost immediately became a furnace. Nothing was left standing. The corrugated iron roofs of the dormitories and the bedsteads of the patients were melted by the intense heat. Some of the lunatics were burned in their beds and the charred remains of others were found huddled together in corners while groups of partially consumed bodies on the site of the corridors showed that many persons lost their lives and sacrificed those of others in their frantic efforts to force a passage through the flames to the main building.

THE COTTON YARN SPINNERS.

Conference in Charlotte Agree Upon a Schedule Advancing Prices an Average of Ten Per Cent.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 27.—Cotton yarn spinners representing, it is stated, half the spindles of the South, held a conference here to-day and to-night, and agreed upon a schedule advancing the price of yarns an average of ten per cent. The representatives of three commission houses from Philadelphia and New York, who were present and conferred with the mill men, gave it as their opinion that the prices may be a little high for the present market, but that buyers will soon aquiesce in the new figures. At the conclusion of the meeting the following was issued:

"At a called meeting of the yarn spinners held in this city to-day, called by a few cotton yarn manufacturers, they beg to advise the following facts were developed: That there was absolutely no stock on hand, either at the mills or in the hands of their several agents; that the mills represented were sold ahead on an average of six weeks, and that the demand for all counts of yarns greatly exceeds the possible production. The above facts were obtained from representatives of three hundred thousand spindles, and therefore can justly be construed as showing the true condition of the cotton yarn industry at present. This morning the meeting unanimously suggested a range of prices which they know to be easily obtainable and believe that they are wisely counselling their associates not to oversell even at these prices, which they confidently expect to see advanced in the near future."

BANKS ROBBED BY BURGLARS

Vaults Blown Open and Large Amounts in Cash Stolen—Shots Exchanged With Citizens—No One Hurt.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WATERLOO, NEB., Jan. 27.—Four men robbed the Citizens' Bank at Waterloo early to-day and escaped with $3,500 in cash, after exchanging shots with citizens attracted to the scene by the explosion. A dozen citizens appeared on the scene soon after the explosion, and opened fire on the robbers. The fire was returned, one of the robbers on guard shouting to the citizens that they had come to rob the bank and intended to do it. Their work finished, the robbers made a dash into the darkness. Another fusilade of bullets was exchanged, but nobody was hurt, the robbers finally getting away in a stolen rig.

At Steeleville, Ill.

STEELEVILLE, ILL., Jan. 27.—Robbers blew open the vault of the Bank of Steeleville early this morning and secured $3,000 with which they made their escape in a carriage. The sheriff at Chester was notified at an early hour and he has left with a posse for the scene of the robbery.

FIRE IN BOSTON.

A Six-Story Business Building Burned.

The Loss $250,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, MASS., Jan. 27.—For five hours more than half the Boston fire department faced a fierce fire here to-night, the six-story business building and contents of the Bigelow-Dowse Company, hardware dealers, being destroyed. The loss is a quarter of a million dollars. The presence of gunpowder in the basement and fixed ammunition in an upper story made the fire in its early stages a serious one. The cartridges exploded without any general damage, while the firemen flooded the basement and spoiled the powder.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. O. Shepard.

APPALLING WRECK ON NEW JERSEY CENTRAL.

Estimated Loss of Life Ranging from Twelve to Thirty—The Wreck Took Fire—Many Persons Burned.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—One of the most appalling railroad wrecks that has occurred in the vicinity of New York for many years, the estimated loss of life ranging from twelve to thirty persons, took place to-night at Graceland, on the Central Railway of New Jersey, near Westfield, N. J., when the Royal Blue Express ploughed at top speed into the rear of a local train.

Immediately after the crash, three shattered cars of the local train took fire, rendering impossible the rescue of many of the wounded, who were pinned fast in the wreck. Many bodies are believed to have been consumed.

On board the flyer all the passengers, although badly shaken up, escaped uninjured except for trifling bruises.

The train which was run into left New York at 5:45 and runs as an express to Bound Brook, making stops at Elizabeth, Westfield and Plainfield. Beyond Bound Brook it runs as a local. The Royal Blue train left fifteen minutes later, but travels at a high rate of speed and makes no stop except at Elizabeth and is scheduled to overtake the slower train just beyond Graceland, where the latter switches from track No. 3 to track No. 4 to permit the Royal Blue to pass.

Passengers on the flyer say the engineer applied the brakes hard a minute or so before the wreck. The train ahead had sent a flagman back, but it seems he was recalled when the train got under way and although he left torpedoes, the Royal Blue did not heed them or else was going too fast to stop in the short distance remaining. The man who went back to flag the train had just swung into the rear end of his train and is among the dead. The engine and the three worst wrecked cars were piled into an awful heap, containing at least one hundred dead and injured. From the mass came fearful cries for aid. A minute later the wreck caught fire from the firebox of the locomotive. The screams of the injured in the heaps were intensified as they found themselves hemmed in by the flames.

The passengers in the two forward cars of the first train and all the men from the express car and every one in the neighborhood started to work at once to get out the injured before the flames could reach them. At times while toiling in the wreckage the flames reached the rescuers and their clothing took fire, but they worked on, though in constant danger of being killed themselves. Some of the injured were burned to death in sight of the men who were working with desperation to save them, but the flames soon gained complete mastery of the two last cars.

The firemen from Westfield were summoned by telephone, but arrived too late to save many lives. Doctors were called from Elizabeth, Westfield and Plainfield and there was a score on hand. The parlor cars of the Royal Blue train were converted into temporary hospitals. The dead as they were taken out were laid in a row alongside the track until means could be found to convey them to Plainfield.

The firemen after a time mastered the flames. Then the wreckage was attacked again and the work of recovering the bodies was begun. Out of the first car eight bodies were taken. The sight while the wreck was burning was horrifying. Men could be seen in the wreckage pinned fast amid the timbers of the cars and struggling to be free while the flames roared around them. The rescuers was helpless to aid them, as they already had been driven from the wreck by the flames. One of these who tried to take out a man pinned in found that he was held down by one leg near the ankle and seeing it would be useless to do anything else, is said to have finally severed the man's leg and then carried him to one of the parlor cars. Both rescued and rescuer were badly burned.

When the engine ploughed into the rear car it partly split the car open and at the same time lifted it up and on to itself. This car was the first to take fire and most of those in it are dead. Some of them are believed to be beneath the overturned engine.

Those in the car ahead which was lifted over the rear car suffered the most. For some time before the flames reached them from the car below and behind them they were envelopes in smoke and steam and it was here that the worst sights were witnessed.

NEW YORK, January 28.—At 1:40 o'clock this morning it is known that there are twenty-four dead in the railroad wreck at Graceland, N. J. Sixteen charred bodies have now been taken out. Eight dead were either recovered before the fire or died after being taken out of the wreck.

HOUSE BRIBERY CHARGES.

Taking of Testimony Concluded—A Sub-Committee Appointed to Draw Up Findings for Action.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 27. — The House Committee on Naval Affairs to-day concluded the taking of testimony in the investigation of the charge made by Representative Lessler that a corrupt attempt had been made to influence his vote in that committee on the proposition to purchase submarine torpedo boats.

An executive session was held by the committee at the conclusion of the afternoon session, and consideration was given to the findings the committee would report to the House. After several resolutions had been proposed and discussion had been had as to the wording of a report, a sub-committee, consisting of Representatives Foster of Illinois, Dayton of West Virginia, Taylor of Ohio, Mayer of Alabama, and Kitchin of North Carolina, were appointed to draw up a set of findings to be submitted to the full committee for its final action.

At the opening of to-day's session Mr. Lessler denied the statements made yesterday by Philip Doblin. "I desire to deny," he said, "absolutely and unequivocally as false, the statement made by the witness Doblin here yesterday as to any collusive scheme or any of the substantial details sworn to by him here, and desire to reiterate that the facts as originally told by me are true."

Senator Penrose has introduced a bill in the Senate authorizing the purchase of the farm at Appomattox on which the surrender of General Lee took place.

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THE NEGOTIATORS' FIRST CONFERENCE.

For Settlement of the Trouble Between Venezuela and the Allied Powers.

ONLY MATTERS OF DETAIL.

Question of Preferential Treatment Not Yet Cleared Up—The Time of Raising the Blockade Not Yet Fixed Upon--San Carlos' Attack.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—By appointment, the first joint conference of the Venezuelan negotiators occurred this afternoon at Minister Bowen's apartments, the ranking diplomat signer, Mayor Des Planches, the Italian ambassador, making the representations in French to Mr. Bowen. The question under discussion was a matter of the merest detail, the envoys wishing to know whether the monthly payment to the allies should be in proportion to the amount of the claims or whether Great Britain, Germany and Italy would receive the same amounts each month until the indemnity was paid. Mr. Bowen stated he was quite willing to leave this to the Powers themselves to settle and that any arrangement they might make would be satisfactory to Venezuela.

Another detail which has not yet been cleared up involves the question of preferential treatment of the allied powers as against the other powers, France, Denmark, Holland, Norway and Sweden, Belgium, Spain, and the United States, in the payment of the indemnity. Mr. Bowen contends that this position did not form a part of the allies' condition precedent to the raising of the blockade. His answer was cabled to the Foreign Offices at London, Berlin and Rome to-night, and it is hoped that favorable answers will be received to-morrow. There is reason to believe that Great Britain, Germany and Italy will yield to this last objection and sign the protocol for the raising of the blockade.

It developed to-day that Great Britain through the ambassador here and by means of cable exchanges between London and Berlin, is working hard to clear up the details of Mr. Bowen's terms to the entire satisfaction of Germany. When the details of the diplomatic exchanges regarding the Venezuelan dispute are published it will be found that Sir Michael Herbert, in the interest of peace and a satisfactory settlement, went to the extent of using his personal influence to secure the acceptance of Minister Bowen's proposition. This fact has been communicated to the President and to the State Department, and has been received with marked satisfaction.

Bombardment of San Carlos.

LONDON, Jan. 27—Count von Cardt, the German charge d'affaires at Washington, has been instructed to communicate to the United States government and Count Wolff-Metternich, the German ambassador here to the British foreign office, further particulars received by the German government of the circumstances which occasioned the bombardment of Fort San Carlos, Venezuela. According to this statement the German cruiser Panther was proceeding to enter Maracaibo Lagoon when she was suddenly fired upon by the fort and had no alternative but to return the fire.

The commander of the Panther communicated with the German commodore and thereupon other German warships were ordered to bombard Fort San Carlos. In making this communication to the United States, the German goverment expressed the conviction that no British or American admiral would have suffered his ships to be fired upon without retaliation. It is affirmed by the German officials here that the action of Fort San Carlos was probably directed from Caracas the purpose being to gain American sympathy by making it appear that the Germans were acting harshly. It is thought the fort would not have fired on a British ship.

As indicative of the fact that the Germans do not desire to embroil the situation unnecessarily, it is pointed out in the official statement that the Restaurador, now under the German flag, "was recently close to the shore at LaGuaira, when many rifle shots were fired at her, but in order not to cause trouble, she left without returning the fire."

Venezuelan Prizes.

LAGUAIRA, VENEZUELA, Jan. 27.—The Italian cruiser Giovanni Bausan left here at noon to-day for Port of Spain, Trinidad, towing the seve Venezuelan prizes remaining in these waters.

The British cruisers Tribune and Zumbador remain here.

BRITISH STEAMER LOST.

Sank Off Ramsey Island—One Man Was Drowned—Others Saved.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The British steamer Graffoe from Glasgow, for Buenos Ayres, was sunk off Ramsey Island to-day. Six of her crew were saved by a life boat. One man lost his life, and the remainder of the crew, numbering sixteen, after being tossed about in the Irish sea, were rescued by a passing steamer and landed at Cardiff this evening.

The steamer reported ashore at Aberfaw Point, Isle of Anglesey is the Bothlide-Russ. She is a German vessel and was bound from Liverpool for Cardiff All her crew were landed in safety.

THE ISLES OF PINES.

A Resolution Calling Upon President Roosevelt for Information.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Senator Carmack to-day introduced a resolution calling upon the President for information as whether the government of Cuba is exercising the right of sovereignty and control over the Isle of Pines, whether steps have been taken to transfer the island from the United States, and if so what steps have been taken to protect the property of citizens of the United States on the Island of Pines.

The Mexican Tobacco and Cigarette Corporation, incorporated at Trenton, N. J., two weeks ago, with an authorized capital of $100,000, has filed papers increasing its capital to $12,000,000.

The sentence of death passed upon Colonel Arthur Lynch who was found guilty of high treason on Friday last, has been commuted to penal servitude for life.

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Material improvements are being made to the street railway track on Fourth street, from Brooklyn bridge to Nixon street. New 60-lb rail is being laid in place of the old 56-lb rail and new ties are being put down all the way. The Brunswick street line to the Carolina Central station is also being laid with heavier rail so that the suburban cars may go there in the Summer to meet excursion parties. Mr. John P. Jones, an expert trackman, is in charge of the work and he has made phenomenal progress. He is regarded by General Manager Skelding as the "swiftest man in the business."

IN A LION'S CAGE.

Twelve Year Old Boy Badly Mangled and Dying in Charleston.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., Jan. 27.—A special to the *Constitution* from Charleston, S. C., says:

Raymond Bowman, aged twelve, is dying at a hospital here from wounds received in a lion's cage. He was admitted by Miss Hall, the trainer, against the protest of attendants. The largest of four beasts jumped over the woman and seized Bowman in the left thigh. He was badly mangled. The smell of blood excited the lion's mates, and they all joined in the attack. Several men armed with pitchforks went to the boy's rescue and he was dragged out after a desperate struggle.

WARM WIRELETS.

Congressman A. C. Latimer, received the unanimous vote of both branches of the General Assembly of South Carolina for United States Senator, to succeed the Hon. John L. McLaurin.

The House Committee on Military Affairs has ordered a favorable report upon the Foraker bill to appropriate $300,000 to mark the graves of Confederate soldiers and sailors who died in Northern prisons.

What He Sold.

One of the witnesses in a case in a Dublin court was asked, "Did you sell Major Studdert a horse?" "No, sor." "Did your father sell Major Studdert a horse?" "No, sor." "Did your grandfather sell him a horse?" "No, sor." "Well, then, did any member of your family sell Major Studdert anything?" "Yes, sor." "Who did, then?" "I did, sor." "And what did you sell Major Studdert?" "I sold him a mare, sor." The counsel sat down, and the court roared.

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